T. B. CLINIC—OPENING OF

217. Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Government are aware that there is strong opinion among the public against the establishment of a T. B. Clinic in front of the Maharaja's Hospital;

(*b*) whether there is an increase or decrease in the attacks of T. B. in Trichur town after the establishment, of a clinic in such a crowded area;

(*c*) whether the Government are aware that the Hotels in Trichur near the Clinic are infected by tuberculosis bacilli;

(*d*) whether the Government are aware that students living in these Hotels have become a prey to this disease?

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Public Health):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No precise information in the matter is available.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Will the Government be pleased to consider the advisability of having this clinic not near the Maharaja's Hospital, Mattancheri?

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Public Health):* I think we have already advanced far in it. We have aquired lands, and in 1123 the Hospital will be located there; that is the idea. I do not think there is any cause for such a fear. That is the medical opinion,

ARTICLE IN THE "MALABAR MAIL" DATED 5th DHANU 1122

218. Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) has the attention of the Government been drawn to the statement which appeared in the "Malabar Mail", dated 5th Dhanu 1122 (20th December 1946) regarding the loss incurred by the Food Supply Department in the year 1120;

(*b*) is it a fact that this heavy loss is on account of subsidy paid by Government;

(*c*) if so, what is the amount of subsidy paid; (the amount under each item to be shown separately);

(*d*) what is the cost price including transport of the articles for which subsidy was paid;

(*e*) at what price were these articles sold?

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Minister for Food and Education):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The loss was mainly on account of subsidy.

(*c*) A loss of nearly 12·2 lakhs was incurred due to subsidy on rice alone.

(*d*) The pool cost price of one ton of rice works to roughly Rs. 372.

(*e*) The pool selling price of one ton of rice works to roughly Rs. 360.

DRUG CONTROL—REMOVAL OF

219. Choudhury G. S. Dhara Singh *(Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) is the Government aware that Drug Control has been removed in other parts of India

(*b*) is not the Cochin Government still continuing the control;

(*c*) do the Government know that due to this isolated control the Cochin public are not getting vital drugs and medicines when required?

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Public Health):*

(*a*) It is known that it is removed in certain parts of India.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) No.

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